

OPINION 1943

***Pachylops* Fieber, 1858 (Insecta, Heteroptera): *Capsus chloropterus* Kirschbaum, 1856 (currently *Orthotylus virescens* (Douglas & Scott, 1865)) fixed as the type species**

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Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary power the designation in Opinion 253 (1954) of *Litosoma bicolor* Douglas & Scott, 1868 as the type species of *Pachylops* Fieber, 1858 is hereby set aside.
- (2) The entry for *Pachylops* Fieber, 1858 in the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology is hereby emended to record that the type species by monotypy is *Capsus chloropterus* Kirschbaum, 1856 (invalid senior subjective synonym of *Litosoma virescens* Douglas & Scott, 1865).
- (3) The entry for *bicolor*, *Litosoma*, Douglas & Scott, 1868, in the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology is hereby emended to delete reference to it as the specific name of the type species of *Pachylops* Fieber, 1858.
- (4) The name *virescens* Douglas & Scott, 1865, as published in the binomen *Litosoma virescens* (valid subjective synonym of the specific name of *Capsus chloropterus* Kirschbaum, 1856, the type species of *Pachylops* Fieber, 1858), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 3050

An application to conserve the subgeneric name *Pachylops* Fieber, 1858 by setting aside Opinion 253 (June 1954) and accepting the original fixation of *Capsus chloropterus* Kirschbaum, 1856 (an invalid senior subjective synonym of *Orthotylus virescens* (Douglas & Scott, 1865)) as the type species was received from Dr A. Carapezza (*Palermo, Italy*) and Dr I.M. Kerzhner (*Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences, St Petersburg, Russia*) on 13 June 1997. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 55: 146–150 (September 1998). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

The name *Pachylops* Fieber, 1858 was placed on the Official List in Opinion 253 with *Litosoma bicolor* Douglas & Scott, 1868 incorrectly identified as a senior subjective synonym of the invalid *Capsus chloropterus* Kirschbaum, 1856 and designated as the type species.

It was noted on the voting paper that the application to set aside Opinion 253 had received the support of a number of specialists (para. 12 on BZN 55: 148).

Decision of the Commission

On 1 September 1999 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 55: 149. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 1999 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 21: Bock, Bouchet, Brothers, Cocks, Cogger, Dupuis, Eschmeyer, Heppell, Kerzhner, Kraus, Macpherson, Mahnert, Mawatari, Minelli, Nielsen, Papp, Patterson, Savage, Schuster, Song, Štys

Negative votes — none.

No vote was received from Martins de Souza.

Lehtinen and Ride were on leave of absence.

Original references

The following are the original references to the name placed on an Official List, and to the emendations to the entries on Official Lists, by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

bicolor, *Litosoma*, Douglas & Scott, 1868, *Entomologist's Monthly Magazine*, **4**: 267.

Pachylops Fieber, 1858, *Wiener Entomologische Monatschrift*, **2**: 314.

virescens, *Litosoma*, Douglas & Scott, 1865, *The British Hemiptera-Heteroptera*, p. 339.